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SUBJ: CU/ARTS: FORTNIGHT OF AMERICAN MUSIC IN PORTUGAL

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1. PORTUGUESE STATE RADIO (RDP) HAS ENTHUSIASTICALLY REVIVED THE PLAN TO CO-SPONSOR WITH SECSTATE OF CULTURE A "FORTNIGHT OF AMERICAN MUSIC", IN CONTINUATION OF A SERIES HONORING VARIOUS COUNTRIES. RDP IS EAGER TO PROGRAM THIS EVENT/WHICH THEY HOPE CAN FEATURE MAJOR AMERICAN CONDUCTORS, SOLOISTS, A CHAMBER GROUP AND A "LIGHT MUSIC" GROUP--SOMETIME DURING MARCHAPRIL 1978. THE "AMERICAN FORTNIGHT" WILL BE PROGRAMMED ALONG LINES OF SIMILAR EVENTS HONORING THE MUSIC OF OTHER COUNTRIES, REDP HOPES TO HAVE CONFIRMATION OF AMERICAN COLLABORATION AND A CLEAR INDICATION OF PREFERRED TIME FRAME BY AROUND SECOND WEEK OF OCTOBER.

- 2. FOLLOWING ARE ELEMENTS USUALLY INCLUDED IN THESE FORTNIGH PROGRAMS:
- A) A "NAME" AMERICAN CONDUCTOR WHO WOULD LEAD RDP SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA IN SATURDAY PERFORMANCE OF AMERICAN WORKS, PREFERABLY WITH ONE OF TWO AMERICAN UNCLASSIFIED

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## SOLOISTS.

- B) THE OTHER SATURDAY WOULD BE DEVOTED TO A FIVE-HOUR "NON-STOP" CONCERT WHICH AFFORDS A PANORAMIC VIEW OF THE VARIETY AND SCOPE OF AMERICAN MUSIC--CLASSICAL, POP, JAZZ, COUNTRY, RELIGIOUS, ETC. PERFORMERS WOULD INCLUDE RDP SYMPHONY LED BY AMERICAN CONDICTOR, THE RDP

"POPS" ORCHESTRA, POSSIBLY LED BY SECOND AMERICAN CONDUCTOR,

AND AMERICAN CHAMBER GROUP, AND AN AMERICAN GROUP PERFORMING AMERICAN "LIGHT MUSIC

- C) THE AMERICAN CHAMBER GROUP WOULD PERFORM AT LEAST ONCE IN LISBON AND SEVERAL TIMES IN OTHER PORTUGUESE CITIES.
- D) THE "LIGHT" MUSIC GROUP, PERFORMING JAZZ OR COUNTRY, ALSO WOULD PERFORM BOTH IN LISBON AND IN OTHER CITIES.
- E) OTHER PERFORMING GROUPS COULD BE INCLUDED AS AVAILABLE, GIVING RECITALS ON CLASSICAL, SMI-CLASSICAL, OR "LIGHT" AMERICAN MUSIC.
- F) RDP'S "CULTURAL FM CHANNEL" WOULD BROADCAST PROGRAMS OF AMERICAN MUSIC THREE TIME DAILY--FOR A TOTAL OF 42 PROGRAMS--DURING THE "AMERICAN FORTHIGHT".
- 3. THE FOLLOWING SOLOISTS OR GROUPS TRAVELING PRIVATELY IN EUROPE HAVE TENTATIVE SCHEDULES WHICH CONCEIVABLE COULD BECOME PART OF SUCH A PROGRAM IN PORTUGAL DEPENDING UPON FINAL TIMING:
- (A) CONTEMPORARY CHAMBER ENSEMBLE, TENTATIVELY EXPECTED IN PORTUGAL IN MAY 1978.
- (B) US CONTEMPORARY DANCE PRESENTATION, PLANNED FOR MAY OR JUNE, 1978.
- (C) ORPHEUS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE IN FEBRUARY OR MARCH 1978.
- 4. ALTHOUGH EXTENT OF LOCAL FUNDING HAS NOT YET BEEN SET. PLS ADVISE AVAILABILITY AND FEES FOR APPROPRIATE, CONDUCTORS AND ARTISTS FOR THIS EVENT. UNCLASSIFIED

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